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SUBJECT: EU CONSIDERING "EMBARGO" PROHIBITING EXPORT OF  
MTCR AND NSG ITEMS TO IRAN

Classified By: Acting Ecmin Kathleen Reddy for Reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

(S) In a meeting February 1 with Acting Ecmin, Carlo Triepi, Director of the MFA office responsible for arms exports, said the EU is considering revisions to its export control legislation to block the export to Iran of all items listed on the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) and Nuclear Supplier Group (NSG) lists. Triepi said this "embargo," which the GOI supports, will be "stronger than the UN resolution" and will apply to the export of MTCR- or NSG-listed items, regardless of their stated end use in Iran.

According to Triepi, current EU regulations only prohibit the export of MTCR- or NSG-listed items, when their export raises proliferation concerns. The revised law will close that loophole.

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